

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

OCT 27 2005

PTO/SB/21 (09-04)

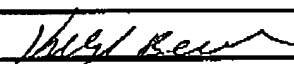
Approved for use through 07/31/2008. OMB 0651-0031


U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

<b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b>  (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Application Number	09/446,601
	Filing Date	June 19, 1998
	First Named Inventor	ABRAMOVICI et al.
	Art Unit	1614
	Examiner Name	JAGOE, Donna A.
	Attorney Docket Number	IV0994 US PCT
Total Number of Pages in This Submission		2

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to TC
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input type="checkbox"/> After Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Status Letter
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund	
<input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> CD. Number of CD(s) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Table on CD	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application	<b>Remarks</b> 1. Transmittal Letter - (1 page)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT			
Firm Name	AVENTIS PHARMACEUTICALS INC.		
Signature			
Printed name	Kelly L. Bender		
Date	October 27, 2005	Reg. No.	52,610

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below: (USPTO FAX NO. 571-273-8300 ; Total No. of Pages Transmitted: 2 )	
Signature	
Typed or printed name	Jonas Pierre, Sr.
Date	October 27, 2005

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

OCT 27 2005

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEIn re Application of  
ABRAMOVICI et al.

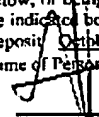
Examiner: JAGOE, Donna A.

Art Unit: 1614

Application No.: 09/446,601

Filed: April 3, 2000

Title: **SOLID PHARMACEUTICAL  
COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING  
BENZOFURAN DERIVATIVES**

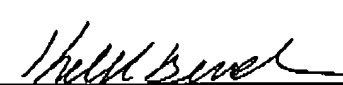
<b>Certificate of Mailing or Transmission</b>	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage for first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop address below, or being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO, on the date indicated below.	
Date of Deposit	October 27, 2005
Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate	Jonas Pierre, Sr.
Signature	

STATUS INQUIRYCommissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

The Applicants request a Status Inquiry for Application Serial No. 09/446,601, filed April 3, 2000.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required by this paper, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1982.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kelly L. Bender, Reg. No., 52,610  
Attorney/Agent for ApplicantAventis Pharmaceuticals Inc.  
(a member of the sanofi-aventis group)  
U.S. Patent Operations  
Route #202-206 / P.O. Box 6800  
Bridgewater, NJ 08807-0800  
Telephone (610) 889-8995  
Telefax (908) 231-2626

Aventis Docket No. IVD994 US PCT